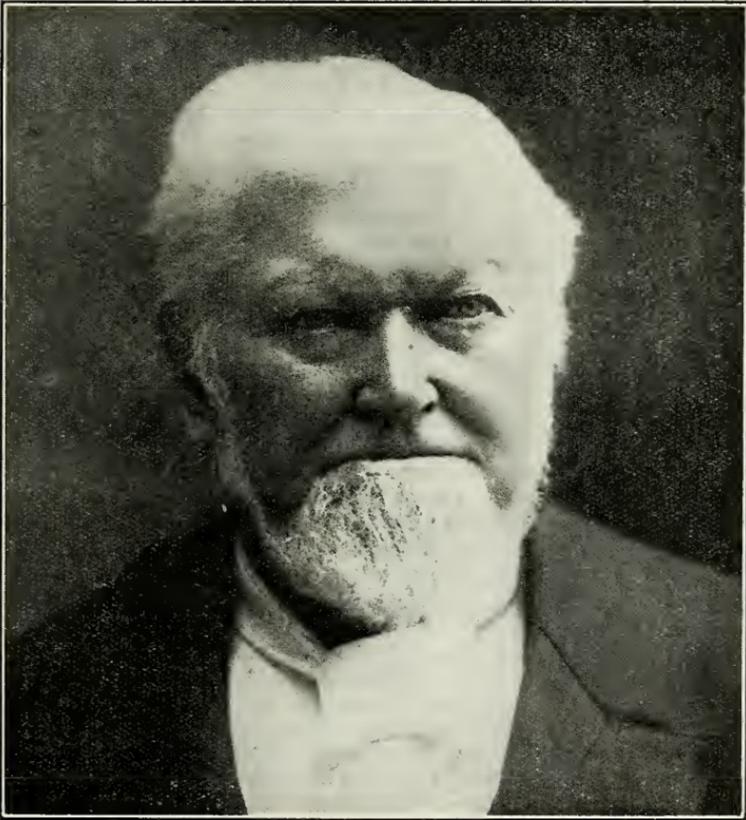


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President Wilford Woodruff

He Gave the "Millennial Star" Its Name

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THE RECIPE TO HAPPINESS

By ELDER GEORGE ALBERT SMITH

OF THE COUNCIL OF TWELVE

DURING these troublesome times when so many are in distress, seeking happiness and not finding it, I think the recipe that I could give, to obtain happiness, would be: Keep the commandments of the Lord. That is easy to remember, and if we will do that we may be sure of success.

George Albert Smith

Elder George Albert Smith, author of this timely article, has a host of friends in Great Britain. Many saints remember him as president of the European and British missions from 1919 to 1921. Then too, he made many friends during two visits to London as a representative to international business conventions.

Apostle Smith has always been interested in the youth of the Church. From 1921 until his release last winter he served as general superintendent of the Y.M.M.I.A., and at the present is a member of the executive board of the national council, Boy Scouts of America.

All down through the ages the Lord has inspired His choice servants, and they have taught the people the Gospel. They have pointed out the way of true happiness. And yet, by his cunning craftiness Satan has persuaded the majority of mankind from walking in that pathway that will insure happiness, and he is still busy. That is one thing you can be sure of, that the adversary of righteousness never sleeps.

The Lord, in His mercy, has told us much that we should do. He has instructed us to be industrious. Among the things that our Heavenly Father has suggested to us is that we honour the Sabbath day and keep it holy; that we observe the Word of Wisdom; that we keep ourselves pure and unspotted from the sins of the world; that we love one another; that we go about our work doing good. In fact, there are so many things that I will not mention them all. But what is meant is this: The Lord's way, not man's way.

That is why the Church was organized, in order that we might be directed by the influence of our

Heavenly Father. That is the purpose of it, to prepare us for eternal life in the celestial kingdom. When I think of the great and good men and women who have lived in this Church from the beginning, who have gone through all kinds of hardships, and have remained faithful to their trust and gone home, I think what a marvellous example has been set us!

We live in perilous times. We need the inspiration of our Heavenly Father. We cannot expect it unless we keep His commandments. He said long, long ago that there were idlers in Zion, and He complained at them, and He said, "He that is idle shall not eat the bread nor wear the garments of the labourer." I am assuming that He did not mean those who cannot find employment, and who are legitimately trying to take care of themselves. I am assuming that He referred to the habit some people get into of leaning upon their neighbour. Maybe that is

the wrong interpretation, but that is the way I view it. I feel that there has been no justification given to any man in this world to feel that he can depend on somebody else to provide him a livelihood. I did not feel when I was a child that somebody would be compelled to provide me a means of living. The Lord gave me intelligence. He directed that I should work, and I began to work when I was twelve years of age, and I found joy in it, and have earned my living and helped others during more than fifty years.

I thank God for work, for the joy that comes from doing things in the world. I am not indicating any particular kind of employment except that it be honourable. But the Lord has indicated that we should be industrious. In ancient times He said that we should earn our living by the sweat of our face. There are means available today whereby, if we were keeping all of the commandments of our Heavenly Father, there would be employment for every one of us that would occupy most of our time.

Let us be generous with one another. Let us be patient with one another as we would like others to be with us. Let us see the virtues of our neighbours and our friends, and speak of those virtues, not find fault and criticize. If we will do that we will radiate sunshine, and those who know us best will love us.

¶ I READ some time ago, in one of the old records of the Church, that a sermon was preached in which one of the brethren called attention to the fact that a group of ten men and women assembled together and examined each apart from the others saying, "I would like you to tell me what you think of these, your associates." The first one explained that they were good people but each had an outstanding fault, and he said that each one of them found fault with every one of that group, but they forgot to criticize themselves. Out of the ten that had been assembled and given an opportunity to talk, nine people could find fault with all of the others, but the nine people in themselves did not find any fault at all. Now, let us think of that.

Aren't we rather prone to see the limitations and weaknesses of our neighbours? Yet that is contrary to the teachings of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. There is a class of people who find fault and criticize always in a destructive way. There is a difference in criticism. If we can criticize constructively under the influence of the Spirit of the Lord, we may change beneficially and properly some of the things that are being done. But if we have the spirit of fault-finding, of pointing out the weaknesses and failings of others in a destructive manner, that never comes as a result of companionship of the Spirit of our Heavenly Father and is always harmful.

If in our own homes we have family prayers and teach our children to pray and walk uprightly before the Lord, we are in the narrow way. If we teach our children to thank the Lord for the food that we have, and feel to appreciate our blessings, we are in the narrow way. If we, when we are called upon to visit the homes of the Latter-day Saints as servants of the Lord, and call the family together and teach them the Gospel of Jesus Christ, point them to the pathway that leads to eternal happiness, we are in the line of our duty and pleasing the Lord.

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FISHERS AT SEA

A Story of an Ocean Voyage of Gospel Gleaning

THE seething sea and its ships are always filling pages for story books and history texts. Today in St. Nazier they are putting the finishing touches on the *Normandie*, France's new challenge to the supremacy of the waves, and in Clydebank the palatial *Queen Mary* is getting ready for her maiden voyage.

Only a comparatively short time ago the *Bremen* established a new record for crossing the Atlantic, and a few weeks before the *Morro Castle* was translated from a floating city of lights to an inferno of blazes, with the loss of scores of lives. And now the *Mauretania*, for nearly a quarter of a century the mistress of the Atlantic, goes on the scrapheap, closing another dramatic chapter of the "deep."

There are many tales of the sea, but none is more fascinating than those that tell of the spread of Mormonism. Nowhere is there a more interesting story than that of the voyage of the first missionaries to England. Heber C. Kimball writes of a dream of the Prophet Joseph Smith handing him the "rod to guide the ship," of miraculously healing a child, and holding a meeting in the course of the trip in July of 1837. The *Garrick*, which carried the elders to Britain and returned Elder Kimball in 1841, was doomed to go "down under" on its very next journey.

Then there is the gripping story of the trials of more than 200 saints on the *Brooklyn*, which set sail on a cold February day in 1846 for a six months' voyage that was to take them around the southern tip of South America and up to what is now the Golden Gate of San Francisco bay. During that trying voyage they visited the island of Juan Fernandez, which was Daniel Defoe's home of Robinson Crusoe. Those intrepid pilgrims of the sea founded the first newspaper in what is now the largest seaport in western America, San Francisco, and their leader, Samuel Brannon, braved the snow-choked Rockies to meet the first company of Latter-day Saint pioneers at Fort Bridger.

ANOTHER fascinating incident of the sea that has been hidden like a treasure from literature's shelves refers to the journey of the *Olympus* in the spring of 1851. Few know the beautiful story of a group of humble and happy saints who completed the trip from Liverpool to New Orleans, which saw fifty of the passengers converted and twenty-one of them baptized in the ocean from a stage let down from the ship.

There were approximately two hundred and fifty saints aboard the *Olympus* as the anchors were lifted in the swirling Mersey river, where Elder Kimball and his colleagues had landed fourteen years previous. Sixty other passengers accompanied them.

The rays of the Gospel light shone down on the decks of that sailing craft as it rocked like a cradle in ribbons of white under the star-spangled and cloud-finned blanket of blue. Its illuminating influence reflected in the happy faces of those who had caught the radiance of its message. Its beams of joy touched the souls of others, and gave them a burning desire to partake of its blessings and bliss.

Every moment of the voyage was used to advantage; classes for children were held, Gospel lectures were delivered, and prayer meetings were conducted. Elder William Howell, one of the passengers, in a letter to the *Millennial Star*, described the deck scenes: "The whole length of the deck being crowded with interesting groups worth an artist's pencil; in one place I observed one of the sisters teaching others the art of knitting lace in various patterns; opposite, on the larboard side of the vessel, a number of mothers, amusing their little ones, at the same time conversing with grateful hearts about the goodness of God. . . . The brethren in various groups here and there, some singing, some reading the Bible, Book of Mormon, Doctrine and Covenants, *Millennial Stars*. . . ."

The other passengers in the "sailing community" were attracted by the congenial spirit and solidarity of the Latter-day Saints. Seeking the key to the happiness of these joyful travellers, they attended their meetings. On Sundays they saw the saints partake of a rich spirit in their morning and evening sacrament meetings. In the afternoon they heard the brothers and sisters fearlessly bear testimony to the truthfulness of the Gospel, and speak and interpret in tongues; they saw the little children blessed. One elder compared the services to the conference in Scotland. These people were impressed.

The other passengers were not the only ones who were attracted by the conduct and teachings of the saints. The crew listened and observed, and the captain went so far as to erect a pulpit for them with his own travelling box, and carried chairs from his cabin to facilitate the Latter-day Saint meetings on the deck. They read and asked questions about the message of Mormonism. Their hearts were touched. They were enlightened.

AND so one quiet evening, twenty-one converts, including some of the crew, joined the saints in singing baptismal songs, and, with bended knees, called upon the Lord in prayer. Then at the command of the captain, the overboard stage was lowered, and one by one they went down into the sparkling waters of the Atlantic for the remission of sins. It must have been a moving scene under the large, white sails of the *Olympus* that eventide.

The following day those who had been baptized in the ocean waters had hands placed upon their heads for the gift of the Holy Spirit. Others were baptized during the voyage, and after the completion of the fifty-day journey two score and ten had been added to the Church membership.

Summarizing the journey, Elder Howell wrote: "I have nothing to say about fevers, plagues, quarrelings, etc., of such we know nothing; we lived in another element that produced joy, peace, long-suffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, against such, I believe, you will find no law."

Thus did the penetrating power of the Restored Gospel make that journey of the *Olympus* one of the most beautiful and significant voyages of modern times. The same message of the Christ who quieted the tempest on Galilee and taught the multitude from the fishers' craft had called a contrite congregation unto repentance on the high seas of latter days.—WENDELL J. ASHTON,

AUXILIARY GUIDE FOR JUNE

PRIESTHOOD

SPECIAL STUDY PROGRAMME

A special study of all phases of the Church auxiliary programme is recommended to all Priesthood groups on the third night of this month. Branch and District presidencies are urged to make special preparations for this occasion. The evening should be conducted more or less in the nature of a seminar, a follow-up feature of the mission-wide conference in June.

Chapter XIV of *Branch Supervision*—"Auxiliaries"—will form the background for the discussion of the various objectives in each organization. This copy of the *Star Auxiliary Guide* as well as copies of all auxiliary manuals should furnish illustrative material for the latest developments and programme changes in the entire Church curriculum. Points developed at Kidderminster or displayed in the recent Sunday School-Relief Society convention sessions of the annual spring conferences should be reviewed and stressed in this meeting. Priesthood must have a thorough working knowledge of this great programme in order to "Build Zion." Once again, we urge branch and district presidencies to make special preparations for this meeting. Encourage everyone who comes to bring along a copy of this Auxiliary Guide, and review each section.

First Night. *Branch Supervision*, Chapters XIII and XIV.

Second Night. *Studies in Priesthood*, Chapter XIII.

Third Night. Special Auxiliary Seminar. Chapter XIV, *Branch Supervision*, *Millennial Star* Auxiliary Guide for June, auxiliary manuals and handbooks.

Fourth Night. *Studies in Priesthood*: Chapter XIV—"Personal Requirements of the Priesthood."—G. HOMER DURHAM.

MUTUAL IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

SUNDAY JOINT PROGRAMME

Hymn: "Shall the Youth of Zion Falter?"

Invocation.

Song: "Improve the Shining Moments."

Readings: Selected Poems. "The Choosing Hour," C. E. Flynn—*Millennial Star* for Thursday, March 21, 1935. Select others from the *Star* and *Era* to fill a six-minute period.

Talk: "Youth and the Church." Twenty minutes. The opportunities for service offered by the Church; the training in cooperation, in presiding, in preaching, in teaching children, in doing missionary work.

Address: "What was accomplished by the death of Jesus Christ?"

Talk: "The Youth Conference at Kidderminster." Ten minutes. Its place in the Church programme.

Song: "Hail to the Brightness"

Benediction.

ANNOUNCING THE SUMMER PROGRAMME

The M. I. A. programme continues the year round. The programme changes in summer. New features are introduced and different leaders may be called by the executives to direct the work, but all are a part of the M. I. A. The programme should provide some definite organized

activity for every group to help people to be happy and if possible to give them new interests in life.

The following events will do much to keep alive the M. I. A. spirit during June, July, and August:

Fathers' and Sons' Outing—This is to be planned and engineered by the Boy Scouts and the male portion of the adult department. Steaks and roast potatoes prepared by the Scouts, melons and sweets provided by the fathers, with a treasure hunt, tracking contest, and community singing are suggested for a successful and memorable Fathers' and Sons' Outing.

Mothers' and Daughters' Day—This is to be planned and put on by the Bee-Hive Girls and the women of the adult department. Basket lunches, nature study demonstrations, retold stories, souvenir presentations, nursery rhyme contests, and community singing can make a Mothers' and Daughters' Day an outstanding event.

G-L-E-A-M Day—This is a community swim and picnic, at which the M Men and Gleaners act as host to the whole branch. Sack lunches prepared by the Gleaners, a cricket or softball game between the men and women, a swim in adjacent baths, a programme of selected gramophone records, and community singing are suggested for G-l-e-a-M Day. G-l-e-a-M Day offers the M Men and Gleaners the chance to show the branch an afternoon of real recreation.

TO THE GLEANERS

Gleaners, you have three aims for the conference at Kidderminster: (1) To have a ladies' chorus to represent your district; (2) to see that your Treasures of Truth books are sent in by May 25th, and (3) to come prepared to receive guides for the following season of M. I. A. work—**ELISE MACE.**

M MEN SOFTBALL

Successful attempts at introducing Softball as an M Men activity are being reported daily. Efforts should be made during the summer to establish it fully.

M MEN PINS

M Men pins are now available at the Mission Bookstore at 1s. 3d. They must be ordered through the branch M Men class leader.

M Men Class leaders are reminded that only those who have passed the requirements for attaining the rank of the M Men are entitled to wear the pin.

KIDDERMINSTER CONFERENCE

All persons who are representing their district as winners of the speech or chorus contests must report at the June conference office in Kidderminster by 2 p.m., Saturday, June 8th.—**BRITISH MISSION Y. W. AND Y. M. M. I. A. BOARDS—M. NEFF SMART.**

PRIMARY ASSOCIATION

MESSAGE TO THE TRAILBUILDER GUARDIANS

After studying the entire lesson plan, take time to think of your boys—their interests and their needs. Select for these summer months a list of activities which seem to meet the conditions of your branch. Try to select activities quite different from the work of last summer. As a suggestion, you might plan a ramble over the country lanes in search of wild flowers. Perhaps they might like to study the life habits of the birds of that locality, and for that work field trips would prove successful. Most boys would enjoy a trip to the woods or some other suitable

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EDITORIAL

THE KIDDERMINSTER CONFERENCE

FOR the first time in the history of the British mission, we understand, a mission-wide M. I. A. conference is to be held, the place being Kidderminster in the Birmingham district. The conference begins June 8th and will continue through three days. The programme is patterned after that of the General Annual M. I. A. conference of the Church that will be in session in Salt Lake City during the same time.

General conferences of the auxiliaries of the Church are long established features of these organizations. The M. I. A. and Primary have annual conferences in Salt Lake City during the second week in June, while the Relief Society and Sunday School have semi-annual conferences at the same place in April and October in the same weeks as the general conferences of the Church. These general conferences of the auxiliaries have become such important features that they are now looked upon as necessary to the well-being of their respective organizations. Thousands of members attend them, every part of the Church, especially in America, being represented. Usually the missions overseas are not forgotten, for former missionaries or saints are there to answer for them.

It is in these general meetings that much of the enthusiasm is developed that is everywhere characteristic of auxiliary workers in their home organizations. They catch the spirit of the conference and carry it home to impart it to their fellow workers. For the spirit is contagious; it is on the principle "laugh and the world laughs with you." Of course, the knowing ones have learned by experience that the success of the programme of any organization of volunteer workers is very largely dependent upon the enthusiasm of the workers. Hence the relation of a general conference to the success of the organization is at once apparent.

Among the saints in the British Isles, Kidderminster is becoming a household word. Everybody is wanting to go to the conference. This is a compliment alike to those organizing the project and to the proved value of the work of the M. I. A. However, everyone will not be there for good and sufficient reasons. It takes power—fuel—to drive a locomotive. It takes money, or its equivalent, to travel and live away from home. So everyone will not be at Kidderminster, for everyone cannot afford to be

there. This fact is so apparent that the organizers of the conference do not expect all present who would wish to be there.

Illustrative of the growing desire for Kidderminster we will mention the case of a devoted sister who wrote to the office for a loan to enable her to attend the conference. She offered to repay the loan in small monthly instalments. Her desire is very commendable. In her case we feel quite sure the Lord will account it unto her for righteousness and will accept the desire for the deed.

We believe the Kidderminster conference is designed for those who have and can spare the money and means to go. The others are advised to be wise and wait for the blessings of Kidderminster to be brought back to their respective branches, which will be done sooner or later. The Church continues to do what it has been doing for many years—counsel its members not to go into debt. Debt is a form of bondage to be avoided, if possible. Freedom and debt are not companionable. All saints should refuse to try to link them together.

So while we recommend that all go to Kidderminster who can afford to go, we advise against borrowing as a means of getting there. This advice applies alike to saints and to travelling elders. Let us try to be wise. "Wisdom is our greatest gift." Let it govern desire, control conduct, and keep enthusiasm within bounds.—JOSEPH F. MERRILL.

KEEPING OUT OF DEBT

THE teachings of the leaders of the Church to keep out of debt would have made the Latter-day Saints a prosperous and happy people if they had heeded it, President Heber J. Grant said in a recent Sunday address at the University ward chapel.

President Grant said he wished he had faith in the present conditions of the country, but under the circumstances he had no faith. It is fundamental, he said, that what applies to an individual applies equally as forcefully to a city, state or nation. "No one has ever prospered by spending more than he had," President Grant said.

President Grant said he could remember from his very childhood the admonition of leaders of the Church to keep out of debt.—(From the *Deseret News*.)

DISTRICT CONFERENCE NOTICE.—The Scottish district conference will be held in the Masonic hall, 30 Abbotsford Place, Glasgow, on Sunday, May 26th, the sessions beginning at 11 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 6:30 p.m. President Joseph J. Cannon will be the principal speaker. A lantern slide lecture on Joseph Smith will be given in the same hall the previous Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

IN THE RAYS OF A LIGHT OF TRUTH

By Gordon B. Hinckley

COVERING thirteen feet of shelf space in the European mission library are ninety-six beautiful volumes bound in diced brown calf. They are the files of the oldest continuously published journal in the Church, the *Millennial Star*. And it is like going through a wonderland of the past to thumb leisurely through its thousands of pages.

Another Milestone

Next Monday, May 27th, the *Millennial Star* will reach the 95th anniversary of its founding. The first edition of the *Star* was edited by Apostle Parley P. Pratt of the Council of Twelve, and was published in Manchester in 1840. Since that time it has recorded the heart-beats of the British mission, and is now the oldest Church publication.

In this article Elder Hinckley mentions some of the Church leaders whose literary gems have given the *Star* much of its radiance as a beacon of truth before Britain.—
THE EDITORS.

Great names spring up, the names of the editors and their assistants. The pens of Parley P. Pratt and his illustrious brother, Orson, of Wilford Woodruff, Orson Spencer, Franklin D. and Samuel W. Richards, Edward W. Tullidge, George Q. Cannon, Daniel H. Wells, Charles W. Penrose, B. H. Roberts, Joseph F. Smith, Orson F. Whitney, Joseph W. McMurrin, Heber J. Grant, Ruderger Clawson, James E. Talmage, George F. Richards, Janne M. Sjodahl, William A. Morton, George Albert Smith, David O. McKay, John A. Widtsoe, Joseph F. Merrill have all been powerful in the defense of truth through these pages.

The History of the Church, the Book of Abraham, Spencer's Letters, New Witness for God, Was Joseph Smith Sent of God? Orson Pratt's Journal are only a few of the monumental writings which have run through its pages.

Parley P. Pratt's great hymn, thematic of this latter-day work, has both made famous and been made famous by that first *Star* in which it ap-

peared. From Shakespeare's Stratford Elder John Jaques sent to the *Star* the song that has made his name immortal: "Oh, Say What is Truth?" "School Thy Feelings, Oh, My Brother," first appeared in the *Star*, one of several from the pen of Charles W. Penrose.

The illustrious men whose writings fill the ninety-six published volumes of the *Star* have made it shine as a beacon of truth and a challenge of righteousness for ninety-five eventful years.

President Joseph J. Cannon served as associate editor of the *Millennial Star* from 1902 to 1904 after labouring as a missionary in the Swedish mission. He later became the editor of the *Deseret News*, Church published newspaper in Salt Lake City.

And in the shadows behind the editorial desks there have been other hands swiftly, silently at work. During the past thirty-five years, since May of 1900, Mr. James Foggo has put the *Star* into type and through the press every Thursday without fail.

Working to a crowded schedule, he has never been ill, never missed a day in all that long period. He has seen the offices moved from 42 Islington, 10, Holly Road, and Durham House in Liverpool. And working faithfully with him since 1917 has been his competent assistant, Mrs. A. Macdonald. Surely these are records of splendid and devoted service not to be excelled anywhere in the world.

In May, 1840, Wilford Woodruff temporarily broke off his labours in Herefordshire, where he baptized 1800 souls in eight months, to meet seven others of the Council of Twelve in Preston. It was at this time that he proposed the name *Millennial Star* for the journal which the authorities had decided to publish, designating that it should be as a luminary to guide men and women toward the ushering in of a thousand years of peace. Its long, unbroken appearance is testimony enough that the blessings of heaven have attended its publication.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

Appointment to the editorship of the *Improvement Era*, official organ of the M. I. A., of Elder John A. Widtsoe, of the Council of Twelve, president of the European missions from 1928 to 1933, has been announced by the First Presidency. Elder George Q. Morris, first counsellor of the general Y. M. M. I. A. general superintendency, was named general manager. With these appointments the staff of the *Era* is as follows: President Heber J. Grant and Elder Widtsoe, editors; Harrison R. Merrill of the Y. M. M. I. A. general board, and Elsie Talmage Brandley of the Y. W. M. I. A. general board, associate editors; Elder Morris, general manager, and Clarissa A. Beesley, second counsellor in the general presidency of the Y. W. M. I. A., associate manager. Elder Merrill has served as managing editor of the Church magazine since 1931, during which time the *Era* has grown in interest throughout the Church.

President David O. McKay will deliver the baccalaureate sermon at the graduating exercises for students of the University of Utah on Sunday, June 2nd, it has been announced by President George Thomas, of the institution. President McKay was president of the senior class while a student at the University, and played on the

first collegiate football team in Utah.

Seven new members have recently been named to the general board of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement association of the Church. The appointment of the new members brings the total of board members to 20. The new members are W. Wallace McBride, Richard L. Evans, Burton K. Farnsworth, Floyd G. Eyre Dr. W. Creed Haymond, M. Elmer Christensen and Philo T. Farnsworth. Saints will remember Elder Evans as European mission secretary under Apostle John A. Widtsoe and associate editor of the *Millennial Star* under Apostle Jame E. Talmage.

Frank L. West has been appointed second counsellor in the new general superintendency of the Young Men's Mutual Improvement association. Albert E. Bowen was previously appointed president and George Q. Morris first counsellor, succeeding the former superintendency composed of Apostles George Albert Smith, Richard R. Lyman and Melvin J. Ballard.

Speaking at the invitation of the national broadcasting system of Czecho Slovakia, President Arthur Gaeth of the Czecho Slovakian mission gave a fifteen minute address on "Latter-day Saint History and Doctrines" over the wireless system in Prague recently.

LEEDS DISTRICT CONFERENCE

“WE have a message to give which no one else gives or can give. That message is that God lives, that His Son, Jesus Christ, lives and that He does reveal Himself to His people in these days.”

That was the keynote of President Joseph F. Merrill's sermon in the evening session of the annual spring conference of the Leeds district in the Bradford branch hall on Sunday, May 12th.

Other speakers during the evening services were President Joseph J. Cannon of the British Mission, Sister Ramona W. Cannon, Mission Relief Society president, and Elders Richard D. Rees and G. Homer Durham. Sisters Nellie Butterfield and Annie Wigglesworth rendered a duet, and District President George W. Laycock gave a vocal solo.

Sister Beatrice Laycock and Brothers George N. Smith and John W. Turner bore testimonies to the divinity of the Gospel during the morning session. Commemorating the annual Mother's Day, Supervising Elder Alma M. Porter spoke on “Mothers.” Other talks were given by Elders Mylen

L. Healy, Albert G. Hunt, Bernard T. Price, Spencer J. Klomp, and Richard D. Rees. Brother George H. Fernley rendered a violin solo.

At the afternoon Relief Society-Sunday School convention, children of the Sunday School paid tribute to Mother with songs, poetry and talks, and white carnations, symbolic of the day, were distributed to all mothers present. Taking part on the Sunday School programme were Elder Conway A. Aslton, Mission superintendent; Brother Frank Holdroyd, district Sunday School supervisor, and Iris Kimberley, Gladys Goldthorpe, Edith Kendall, Marjorie Gregory, Joan Stables, Frank Holdroyd Jr., and Primary children of the Batley and Halifax branches.

Speakers at the Relief Society meeting which followed included Sisters Cannon, Lucy A. Walker, Mary Laycock, Nellie Green and Nellie Butterfield. The Clayton branch Relief Society gave a short sketch. District President Fred Laycock conducted the meetings.

A lantern lecture on Joseph Smith was given by Elder G. Homer Durham on Saturday evening preceding the conference.

THE RECIPE TO HAPPINESS

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We should attend to our secret prayers. We should live so near to our Heavenly Father that when we bow before Him we may know that the thing we are asking will be pleasing unto Him, and if it is not granted in the way that we ask it we may know that the blessing will come to us that we are entitled to, and that will really be a blessing.

This is the Lord's work. This is not the work of man. If we desire to be identified with the kingdom of our Lord, the celestial kingdom, this is our opportunity to prepare—with love unfeigned, with industry, with thrift, with perseverance, with a desire to do all that is within our power to bless others, to give—not to be always feeling we must receive, but desire to give, for “it is more blessed to give than to receive.” The Gospel of Jesus Christ is a gospel of giving, not only of our substance but of ourselves, and I thank my Heavenly Father that I belong to such an organization that has been so instructed.

I pray that the Spirit of God may be in our hearts and in our homes.—(Adapted from a sermon given in the 105th semi-annual conference of the Church in the Tabernacle in Salt Lake City.)

COMMENTING ON KIDDERMINSTER

THE 1935-36 M. I. A. slogan will be announced at the morning session Sunday, June 9th, at Kidderminster, by Sister Florence Bickerstaff, Gleaner of the Southwest London branch and member of the Mission Y. W. M. I. A. board. The message which will ring as the keynote through M. I. A. activities during the coming year will likely be cabled from Salt Lake City.

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NEXT year's appreciation courses for Gleaners, "The Art of Hospitality" and "The Story," will be introduced at the conference by Sisters Emily T. Merrill and Ramona W. Cannon, European and British mission auxiliary advisers, respectively. Sister Rose W. Bennett, member of the Y. W. M. I. A. general board, will conduct the Adult appreciation course in "Reading and Hobbies."

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THE story, "Freedom and Slavery," which appeared in recent issues of the *Millennial Star*, will be dramatized as a feature of the gala concert on Monday night, June 10th. The story, written by Max Zimmer, Editor of *Der Stern*, Swiss-German mission publication, was translated into English by Sister Merrill and arranged for drama by Sister Cannon.

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SCOUTMASTER LOUIS H. TARR of Southwest London branch plans to lead a party of cyclists from London district in a pilgrimage to Kidderminster. Elders Stephen R. Murdock and Eargle C. Harmsen recently pedaled from Kidderminster to London in 13 hours.

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APPROPRIATE toasts, meal-time songs and other entertaining attractions are expected to make meal-time a happy time at Kidderminster. Hundreds of saints and friends will gather around the board together.

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"I MUST say that those in charge of the housing know their job, and are certainly securing reasonable prices on the accommodations," writes Brother Horace Heyes, Y.M.M.I.A. supervisor of the Liverpool district. The same sentiment has been expressed by numerous other saints throughout the mission.—M. NEFF SMART, British Mission Y.M.M.I.A. executive secretary.

OF CURRENT INTEREST

Taps—The Polish Republic is mourning the death of its dictator-hero, Marshall Joseph Pilsudski, who passed away Sunday, May 13th, at his Warsaw home. Almost since his birth in Lithuania in 1867, he championed the cause of Poland with pen and sword. Exiled to Siberia when 19 years old by Russia and imprisoned by Germany during the World War, he stepped into the helm of rejuvenated Poland in the revolution and regained her the national honour and glory she had not enjoyed since the time of King John Sobieski, whose army saved

Europe from the Turks at the siege of Vienna in 1683. The Polish cabinet appointed General Edward Rydz-Smigly, Chief of Staff, to succeed Marshall Pilsudski as Chief Inspector of the Army shortly after the leader's death.

Longevity—Mr. Lloyd George, the former Prime Minister and a prodigious worker at 72, is said to retire at 9:30 p.m. each night and arise at 5 a.m. taking a nap in the afternoon when possible or between midday and lunch. He has kept these hours since he was thirty.

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place and to cook their breakfast if such could be arranged. Meet your group and with them discuss the many possibilities. Let them, under your direction, make the decisions.

During this quarter the children will have more leisure time. Plan your meetings so that they will feel a sense of freedom and relaxation, yet at the same time give them many glorious opportunities for developing that creative power that is found in all children. Introduce well directed construction work and alluring outdoor activities. By carefully watching the boys of your group you can offer suggestions to them to help them select a hobby that would give hours of educational value and a means of expression of real self. What an opportunity for the Guardian to become intimately acquainted with her boys!

Plans are being made for the Trekker work to begin in the fall. Are your boys completing the tests outlined in the Hatchet? Will the Blazers in your branch pass to the Trekker work on the Home Coming Day? We wish you every success possible so that you will be ready.

CELIA WILLMOTT, TRAILBUILDER GUARDIAN.

FROM THE MISSION FIELD

Appointments—Brother Andre K. Anastasiou was sustained as president of the London district to succeed Elder J. Kay Lindsay, with Brothers William C. McCormick and Alfred J. Willmott as his first and second counsellors, respectively, Sunday, May 5th. Elder Lindsay was appointed supervising elder of the district.

Elder Stephen R. Murdock was appointed supervising elder of the Birmingham district on Wednesday, May 1st.

Elder Keith M. McFarlane was appointed supervising elder of the Irish district, May 5th.

Arrivals and Assignments—The following elders arrived on the s.s. *Manhattan*, Wednesday, May 1st, and were assigned to labour as indicated:

Elder John L. Stephens of Montpelier, Idaho, to the Welsh district.

Elder Woodrow D. Marriott of Ogden, Utah, to the Birmingham district.

Elder George W. Shupe of Phoenix, Arizona, to the London district.

Elder Keith M. McMurrin of Los Angeles, California, to the London district.

Doings in the Districts: Birmingham—Handsworth branch M. I. A. won first place in the district dramatics achievement contest, the results of which were announced recently by the judges. Nuneaton branch was second. Members of the cast of the prize-winning play, "The Rescue," were President Norman Dunn, Margaret Dunn, Melvin Dunn, Beatrice Horner, William Horner, John M. Joseph, Ronald Joseph, Frank Bailey, Arthur Makin, Dora Green and Violet Grundy. Bernard Green was stage manager.

Hull—"Who Is My Neighbour?" was the theme of the Gainsborough branch conference held in the hall on Sunday, April 14th. Sunday School children who took part during the morning session were Gladys Storry, Betty Longley, Cissie Thornton, Jack Winter, Betty West and Norma, Lucy, Marjorie and Bunty Fitchett. Branch President Theodore Lowther, Supervising Elder Kenneth F. Cropper, District President Joseph Walker and his counsellors, Brother Arthur E. Ransom and Walter Yull were the speakers in the evening.

A draughts tournament was held under the auspices of the Hull

branch building fund committee in the branch hall on Saturday, April 13th. Travelling Elder James J. Kirby and Brother Myles Ramm reached the final round when time was called. Brother Walter Yull was in charge.

Liverpool—The Relief Society of the Preston branch, under the direction of Sister Annie Johson, presented an interesting programme of musical numbers and recitations Friday night, April 12th. Refreshments were served by Sisters Rosa Webster and Gertrude Corless. Proceeds of the social provided additional funds for new curtains for the recently acquired rooms of the branch.

Elder Ray L. Richards was sustained as president of the Nelson branch at the branch conference on Sunday, April 14th. He succeeds Brother Robert Pickles, who has served faithfully as president for the past six years. Brother Pickles was sustained as first counsellor. The morning session of the conference was under the direction of Sister Florence Denney, Sunday School superintendent. District and branch authorities spoke in the evening on the theme, "Revelation, The Foundation of the Church."

Norwich—M.I.A. contests between Norwich and Lowestoft branches provided Jubilee day entertainment for saints and friends at Lowestoft, Monday, May 6th. The activities began with a softball game, followed by refreshments served by the Relief Society in the

branch hall. Norwich branch won by a close margin in the programme of contests which followed, including public speaking and retold stories for young women and young men, women's choral selections, and drama. Brother Leslie Coleby, district Y.M.M.I.A. president, and Sister Mildred Jennie, Y.W.M.I.A. president, were in charge of the day's proceedings. Supervising Elder Walter J. Eldredge, District President Alfred Burrell and

Brother John F. Cook, his first counsellor were judges.

The "First Principles of the Gospel" was the theme of the evening session of the Norwich branch conference held Sunday, May 5th, in the branch hall under the direction of Branch President Frederick Tuttle. The principal speakers were Supervising Elder Walter J. Eldredge and District President Alfred Burrell. The theme of the morning services, supervised by Brother Bert Martin,

Readers Write . . .

From Imperial headquarters, The Boy Scouts association, at 25 Buckingham Palace road, London (commenting on the recent Boy Scout issue): "I have passed a copy of the *Millennial Star* to my Commissioner and I have perused it myself with great interest. It is certainly a good issue—(signed) E. W. Howard."

From Edinburgh: "One of my workmates, who is a member of another church, asked me to be a subscriber to the official organ of his church. I agreed on condition he would take a *Star* each week. Since taking the *Star* he has given up the other periodical altogether. He says the articles in it have given him much food for thought. The Gospel principles are explained so clearly and in a way which he never heard before—(signed) Charles Smart, *Star* correspondent."

Sunday School superintendent, was "The Plan of Salvation." The afternoon session was a testimony meeting.

Welsh—The Boy Scouts of the Cardiff branch increased their funds by selling "Hot Cross" buns on Good Friday, April 19th. Six hundred buns were sold during the day, and Scout Joseph Vickery won a sheath knife for selling the most buns.

Sheffield—A banquet in honour of Brother Robert H. Briggs, for nineteen years president of the Barnsley branch, and Sister Briggs

was given by members of the branch on Saturday, March 23rd, in the Arcade buildings of Barnsley, following his honourable release. Tribute to Brother Briggs for his loyalty and integrity while branch president was paid by Brother Fred K. Birkhead, oldest member of the branch, and Sister Sarah Ann Machin Lee, president of the branch Relief Society. Supervising Elder Herbert T. Edgar commented on the cooperation Brother Briggs had given the missionaries, and District President George H. Bailey made the presentation speech, with Brother and Sister Briggs responding.

Leeds—Rain halted an inter-district football match between Leeds and Sheffield during the

second half of the game played in Bradford recently, with Sheffield leading, 2-0. In the evening the visiting Sheffield saints were guests at a "tea" and concert in the Bradford branch hall.

Manchester—M Men and Gleaner Girls of the Manchester branch held their annual banquet in the branch hall, April 13th. Supervising Elder Elbert H. Startup was toastmaster and toasts were given by Sister Bessie Bowett and Elder Melvin M. Richards. The delicious dinner was served by the Gleaner Girls, and following the banquet a musical festival was held in the recreation hall, where numbers were rendered by individuals and the M Men-Gleaner chorus.

DEATHS

APEDAILE—Sister Alice Jack Apedaile, who was born in Jarrow, Durham County, December 2nd, 1873, and who emigrated to Utah, died in Plymouth, California, December, 19th, 1934, according to word received from relatives. Sister Apedaile is survived by relatives in England and America. Funeral services were held in the Second ward chapel in Salt Lake City, under the direction of Bishop Albert J. Green.

BRYANT—Sister Mary Bryant, 83, for 20 years a faithful member of the Bristol branch, died May 4th, after a short illness. Funeral services were held at Greenbank cemetery May 7th under the direction of

Brother William Collins. Elder Gordon K. Ashley and Brother Henry E. Neal were the speakers, and Elder Murrell C. Ballantyne dedicated the grave.

RYDER—Well known to many saints in Britain, Sister Mary Ryder, 87, passed away at her home in Salt Lake City, February 24th. She was a faithful Church worker in Sheffield and London, emigrating to Utah six years ago. Speakers at her funeral services in the Ninth ward chapel were Apostle Joseph Fielding Smith, Patriarch James W. Paxman, Dr. C. R. Pugmire and Brother Clinton Mills, former president of the London district.

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